Report to Quatt Malvern Parish Council on Traffic Calming Measures 26th November 2020

The Road Safety Partnership carried out a speed check with a detector van in Quatt in September. The results from the July survey are attached. The Road safety Partnership have concluded from the results that the level of non-compliance with the speed limit is sufficient as to require no ongoing enforcement.

Nevertheless, there is concern within the community about the speed of vehicles on the A442 through Quatt.

The Clerk undertook at the last meeting to prepare further costings for Village gateways and /or VAS (vehicle activated signs) to help control vehicle speed at this location.

These costings are shown below:

i.) Village Gateways

Gate per unit £140.00

Delivery £45.00

Signs £ 71.00 each.

TOTAL £ 256.00 per gate

The Council would have to engage the services of an approved highways contractor to erect the gates. The Clerk has approached one such contractor who was recommended by the Highways Engineer but as yet no cost has been provided.

The Council will recall that it was hoped that any such cost might be shared with Alveley Parish Council who were considering erecting village gateways also.

ii) VAS (Vehicle Activated Signs)

The Clerk has attached an illustration and costings for the basic VAS which shows the speed of an approaching vehicle and responds either with a smiley face, or with a sad face if the speed limit is being exceeded. Alternatively, the sign can show a "Slow Down" message.

The costings are:

Sign per unit £1785.00 Erection by supplier estimated £ 250.00

TOTAL £ 2035.00 per unit.

The signs are solar powered and therefore do not require a power supply. However, they are normally mounted on streetlights and as there are none in Quatt, a dedicated post would have to be provided.

At extra cost, the signs can be equipped to collect and store data on traffic speed etc.

The supplier has offered to provide a demonstration of the signs and the Clerk can arrange this if the Council so desire.

The Council may wish to consider the Community Led Plan before making a final decision on what action if any it wishes to take on implementing any of these measures as it is understood that traffic calming was a subject covered by the Plan.